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| **ODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**  **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25 JANUARY 2018** |

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| Present:  Cllr A Betts Chairman  Cllr A Every Vice Chairman  Cllr A Cox  Cllr P Davis  Cllr M Green  Cllr S Griffiths  Cllr J Sawyer    CDC Cllr J Beale |

1. **Minutes of the last Meeting** held on 7 December 2017 copies of which had been previously circulated where agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.
2. **Matters arising from the Minutes**. The Clerk gave an update on the outstanding highways issues. More major items were awaiting funding and smaller items were on the list to be done as and when manpower was available. The bus shelter had been cleaned.
3. **Declarations of Interest**. There were none.
4. **Adjournment for public to raise issues**. Residents asked whether the Western Power had any plans to run the power cables underground as recommended in the 2004 conservation statement. It was confirmed that the Council had no details concerning an empty property in Back Lane. Two residents raised concerns about damage caused by heavy vehicles to buildings in back Lane and to the verges throughout the village. There was a discussion about general untidiness of the verges and a small number of gardens in the village. It was agreed that Cllr Every would invite the new manager at Bromford Housing to come to a future meeting of the Council. The Parish Council would circulate a leaflet to all houses in the village asking residents to help tidy up the village before the Open Gardens event on 24 June.

The Chairman confirmed that there would be a mini fete run alongside the Open Gardens event and asked for volunteers to serve on the Committee.

Cllr Cox queried whether the contractors had been paid for cutting the bank. The Clerk said she had not received an invoice. Cllr Cox to chase.

1. **Financial issues**.

* **Accounts for payment**

The Council resolved to pay the following accounts.

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| OVH | Cq 378 | £ 10.00 |
| JE website | Cq 379 | £ 23.98 |
| Autela Payroll | Cq 380 | £ 38.40 |
| JE wages | Cq 381 | £ 166.74 |
| HMRC | Cq 382 | £125.00 |

1. **Village Amenities and Facilities**

* **Icomb Bridge**. A Bledington resident had been in touch following an accident on the bridge. Other parish council had raised concerns and it was agreed that the Clerk should contact Highways supporting the need for action and asking to be notified on the results of the ongoing safety assessment.
* **Spring Litter Pick.** It was agreed that this should take place on the afternoon of 10 March and the Clerk was asked to publicise details in the newsletter.Cllr Beale would send the Clerk an application form.

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1. **Reports from Councillors.**

Cllr Beale reported on the Local Plan to 2031 and the major new development planned for Cirencester. He confirmed that no major development was planned for the villages. He outlined proposals to mark the centenary of the end of WW1 at Cirencester and commented that the Parish Council’s proposals looked like securing some funding. He invited Councillors to attend the Gloucestershire Vision 2050 event being held at Cheltenham.

He updated Council on a visit to both Severn House and Braecroft and assured Councillors that planning officers would be keeping a close eye on both to ensure that they were constructed according to planning approval.

Cllr Beale also mentioned a case at Banks Farm where it appeared that the planners might not have followed the necessary procedures for registering and publicising a revised planning application. He said he would investigate and be in touch with the Clerk.

1. **Planning.**

There were no new planning applications

1. **Date of next meeting.** 22 March 2018. The schedule of meetings for 2018 was agreed.

The meeting ended at 8.10 pm.

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Chairman